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David McElroy, Missoula, a 1966 graduate of the University of Montana, has received a \$1,000 graduation award for creative writing from the National Council on the Arts, according to UM Fine Arts Dean Charles W. Bolen, chairman of the Montana Arts Council.

The grants, administered by the National Endowment for the Arts, are given to promising artists, composers, and creative writers who received college degrees in 1966 to enable them to travel to enrich their cultural experience.

McElroy is using his grant for a sojourn in Mexico, where he is continuing his writing. He was nominated for the award by his writing teacher at the University, Richard Hugo of the English faculty.